



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of)
WATANABE et al.) Art Unit 2167
Application Number: 10/720,178)
Filed: November 25, 2003)
For: DATA DISTRIBUTION METHOD, DATA SEARCH)
METHOD, AND DATA SEARCH SYSTEM)
Attorney Docket No. HIRA.0131)

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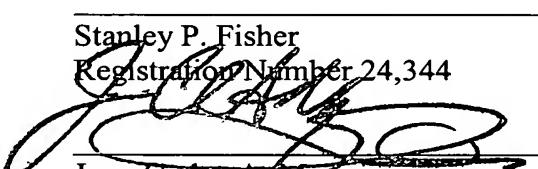
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2007, the Office Communication mailed on January 8, 2007, and the telephone conversation with the Examiner on January 11, 2008, the period for response to which is set to expire on February 8, 2008. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: